

LOCAL NEWS.

The sidewalk from Harrison's corner to Kiber's is being widened a few feet.

The rain of Monday is reported pretty general throughout the sections of the county heard from.

Judge C. C. Garrett is at home for his summer vacation now and will not return to Austin before October.

Mr. Wm. Bode had some of the finest samples of corn and cotton on exhibition at Krentzlin's store Saturday that we have seen.

The hobby-horse outfit, after a week's engagement here, have folded their tents, and lit out for other pastures green and fresh.

The 4th of July excursion rates where the distance does not exceed 100 miles will be one fare for the round trip over the Santa Fe.

EVERYBODY that ever lived in Brenham seemed to have sent in coupons Sunday. There was 29 letters favoring the Central Texas candidate Miss Nettie Estes.

Mrs. J. H. Daily, day operator at the Santa Fe telegraph office, left Monday for her summer vacation which she will spend in Baltimore. Miss Nettie McLeran, of Belton, taking her place during her absence.

SOME thief entered the room occupied by Mr. J. H. Daily at the residence of Mrs. Shropshire Sunday night and stole a fine gold watch out of his pocket. He had another watch in his vest pocket which was left on the other end of the chain unmolested.

The residence that burned three miles west of here Saturday evening was that of Mrs. J. B. T. Harry, and occupied by Mrs. Henry Fisher. The residence and out houses were all burned as well as the household goods of Mr. Fisher. Mr. Potter, a laborer on the place lost \$65.50 which was consumed in the flames.

THE BANNER is in receipt of a communication setting forth the success and pleasures of the emancipation celebration at Taylor's platform, which lasted two days and was a grand success, but its a little too late reaching us for publication. They had a grand, barbecue, a good band, good music and splendid making.

MESSRS. Haubelt Bros., moved their stock of goods into the Amstel building on First street Tuesday, into the store recently vacated by Messrs. Schmidt Bros., who have recently moved into the new Zurcher building also on First street. Messrs. Hewett & Fink will to-day (Wednesday) move their stock into the store vacated by Haubelt Bros.

Mrs. Sarita Tample returned Sunday from Livingston, accompanied by Gen. Robertson, who spent Sunday here, where she went to attend the re-union of Hood's Brigade. She was an especially invited guest of the brigade and reports that the reception, distinction and courtesies shown her while there will ever be a bright oasis in her memory.

The reception tendered the Light Guard 2nd Regiment band by their leader Prof. J. H. Browning, Saturday night, was most enjoyable entertainment, the attendants being profuse in their encomiums of praise of their host's hospitality. An elegant repast of cakes, fruit and lemonade, champagne, etc., was served about ten o'clock, and the band "outdied" themselves in discoursing sweet music.

The O. O. O.'s have decided to reproduce the "Peak Sisters" at the Opera House Friday night, with an entire change of songs, music, etc. Miss Lizzie Dwyer will recite the parody on "Maud Muller," which is said to have made a "hit" last year. The young ladies are devoting considerable time to rehearsals and will no doubt give an entertaining performance. Let everybody turn out and fill the Opera House to standing room.

Mr. Wm. Axer was summoned to Philadelphia Monday by Messrs. Geo. H. McFadden & Bro., to consult with him about the final arrangements for the new compress they are to build here before the departure of one of the firm for Europe. It is reported that he has made arrangements with Mr. Corjay for the building and with Mr. W. A. Wood for the lumber necessary for its construction, and that it will be built.

The public school children gave a concert at the Opera House Tuesday night to a good house. They rendered the operetta—"Elma, the Fairy child" in a splendid manner, each one acting their part in such a manner as to show that the parts had been well assigned and the children excellently trained. The recitations were choice selections and well rendered. "Bo-Peep, in two acts and "Berry Pickers" were both enjoyed by the audience.

Dead Now.

John Adamac is dead, Justice Curry was not even summoned to hold an inquest when the final end came. He died at the home of his father-in-law Thursday in the Prairie Hill neighborhood, in the house he shot into before shooting himself with the rifle found by his side Saturday morning June 20th. It was thought he could not live an hour after he was found, hence Justice Curry was summoned to hold the inquest, but the man was not dead and lingered until Thursday before death ensued.

Fortunately no one was hurt by the shot he fired into his father-in-law's residence.

THE "Jas. G. Blaine" correspondent from Brenham to the Houston Post in reference to the vote for Miss Nettie Estes, was an unfortunate letter inasmuch as that style of language nor policy impugned to her Brenham friends, has not been adopted. The campaign for her has been quiet, orderly and conducted on a basis that invited all the much needed outside help we could get, and while this correspondent no doubt meant well, his letter does not portray the situation and was unfortunately imprudent and has been universally condemned by her Brenham friends.

THE Board of School Trustees held a meeting Monday evening and re-elected the old corps of teachers entire, except that Mrs. Lula Sloan was elected to the 6th grade in the Central School. The Board will meet again Monday evening in joint session with the City Council the object being to recommend to the Council the necessity and to suggest means for providing school accommodations for the ensuing year. At the meeting Monday the position of principal of the Camp-town school was not formally filled, T. H. Love being appointed teacher of the higher grades without the authority, but to exercise the duties of principal only as occasion may require.

THE proprietor of the BANEER acknowledges the receipt of an invitation to attend the marriage of Mr. Fred B. Robinson editor of the Huntsville Item, and secretary of the Press Association, to Miss Laura Meredith, Wednesday afternoon July 8th, at 1 o'clock at the church of Epiphany, Calvert, Texas. If the BANNER cannot be there in person it will in spirit, and sends its congratulations and fraternal greeting by mail, instead of express, being "trifles light as air," and in advance of the happy event wishes for them a full cup of life's happiness.

MR. A. HACHLER, secretary of the Truck Growers' Association, received the returns from the first car load of melons Tuesday. They were shipped to Dallas and brought \$164.00, and it wasn't a big car either, only weighing 21,000. The usual weight being 28,000. There was 80 dozen melons in the lot and they brought a fraction over 17 cents each. This clearly demonstrates that watermelon culture, though in its infancy here, gives promise of better profits than king cotton. There's "millions" in it.

Does Brenham want the next annual meeting of the State Horticultural Society? If she does, all she has to do is to ask for it through the Board of Trade or her Mayor, while they are in session at Lampasas. The next place of meeting will probably be chosen to-morrow.

The reception tendered the Brenham Light Guard at the residence of Dr. W. A. Lockett, by Rev. F. Sebright Leigh, the company chaplain, and Dr. Lockett, the company surgeon Monday night, was heartily enjoyed by the company who attended in full uniform.

DIED, at Arkansas Pass, June, 29th Jas. Bassett Williams, youngest son of J. B. and M. B. Williams, age five years, two months and eighteen days. The remains will arrive on the 11 o'clock Santa Fe train to-day (Wednesday) from where the funeral will take place.

The fire alarm was sounded at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening for Third ward and the fire department responded promptly to the report that the new German church was on fire, but on arriving there no fire was found.

MR. F. KIBER offers a box of fine candy to each of the winners of the Houston Post scholarship and sends along with the order 200 votes for the middle Texas favorite, Miss Nettie Estes.

A CHAPPELL HILL correspondent says they had a fine rain Monday evening, the first since April, and while it comes too late for old corn it will greatly benefit other crops and gardens.

LIEUT. CHAS. G. DWYER, of 21st infantry, U. S. A., stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, is here on a visit to the old folks at home.

MR. T. P. TURNER left for La Grange Wednesday as a witness in a murder case.

CAPT. T. C. CLAY, of Independence, was in the city yesterday.

MR. R. E. GRABER has a handsome new sign before his jewelry store.

The O. O. O.'s will have the "hoop drill" at their concert Friday night.

MR. JNO. G. RANKIN, proprietor of this paper, is confined to his home sick.

MRS. LOUIS LASH presented her husband Sunday morning last with a ten pound girl.

The bill pushers were out in force yesterday but reported that collections were very poor.

MRS. MILES and little son, left yesterday for Baltimore, where she will spend her summer vacation.

MR. SAM LOW left for Lampasas Wednesday to attend the meeting of the State Horticultural society.

ATTENTION is directed to the new advertisement of Messrs. Schmid Bros., which appears in this issue.

The State encampment will begin at Austin July 18 and close July 25. The Light Guard will be there with eleven fours, besides officers.

THE Brenham Field Artillery band will attend the 4th of July celebration at Roundtop, where they have been engaged to furnish music for the occasion.

THERE will be a meeting of the Brenham Field Artillery Friday night when all are requested to be out, as orders will be issued for the encampment.

SO MANY improvements are going on the South side of court square on Sandy street that the sidewalk and a good portion of the broad thoroughfare is blocked.

MR. HEBER STONE left for Lampasas Wednesday, where he goes to attend the meeting of the State Horticultural society, which is in session in that city.

It is harvest time with the Truck Growers and they are raking in the "shekels" these dull times while the cotton farmer will go on sweating for the next two months.

MR. C. H. THOMPSON, the gentleman who has been running a barber shop for the past few weeks on the west side of court square, left Wednesday for St. Louis.

THERE will be a grand public barbecue at Major Vernon's Grove four miles west of Washington on the Brenham road, Friday next and everybody is invited to attend.

MISS SOPHIA COHN will dance the skirt dance at the O. O. O.'s entertainment Friday night at the Opera House and Miss Maggie Fisher will delight the audience with a vocal solo.

THE rain of Monday insures the corn crop of Washington county. The cotton looks promising and altogether the outlook for a good harvest is quite promising in this section.

THE stock-holders of the Washington County Compress and Manufacturing company held a meeting Tuesday afternoon to make Geo. H. McFadden & Co., a proposition to sell them one of their compresses. This firm is represented here by Mr. Wm. Axer who is now absent in Philadelphia for the purpose of making final arrangements about erection of a compress, if the proposition of this company does not suit them. The stockholders were divided as to the amount they were willing to sell for, some of them holding out for \$65,000 while some of them argued that if another compress was erected here it would depreciate the value of their property, and they favored offering it for \$60,000. It was finally agreed to leave it to the secretary to submit the proposition and all agreeing to abide by his action.

DEAFNESS CAN'T BE CURED by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by Catarrh that we can not cure by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

MISS MATTIE DASHEIL left yesterday for Jewett.

STATE NEWS.

—The Hunter murder trial is on at Houston.

—McKinney, Collin county, has organized a military company.

—Jacksonville ships from ten to twenty-five bushels of cucumbers daily.

—Dr. Sherod's handsome residence at Marshall was burned Sunday night.

—An effort is being made in Beaumont to establish an electric fire alarm.

—A national bank with a capital of \$50,000 has been established at Archer.

—Orange wants a furniture factory to utilize its excellent quality of timber.

—The crop statistics of Hunt county this year will double that of last year.

A girl never goes by her brother without saying something about "a dirty boy."

—At San Antonio the Parks and beer gardens are liberally patronized on Sunday.

—Wilbarger claims to have the largest acreage of wheat of any county in Texas.

—Belton has about completed arrangements for a grand ex-confederate reunion.

—Wm. Styles, an Ellis county farmer, threshed 1931 bushels of wheat from 80 acres.

—The wheat crop of Comanche county is turning out an average of 25 bushels to the acre.

—Wichita Falls is making grand preparations for a big harvest jubilee on July 3 and 4.

—Five hundred thousand pounds of wool have already been shipped this season from Brownwood.

—The Corpus Christi electric light company have increased the capital stock from \$10,000 to \$20,000.

—Fifty motor men and conductors struck at Galveston Tuesday. Their places were promptly filled.

—Fifteen carloads of cattle, bound for Eastern markets, passed through Columbus a few days ago.

—A new postoffice called Comet has been established in Marion county, with J. O. Jackson as postmaster.

—City Engineer Michael has completed the survey for the new United States court and postoffice building at Paris.

—Bishop Brennan has promised to erect one of the finest schools of learning in the south at Dallas, if a suitable site be donated.

—The wheat and oats of Brown county have produced a fine yield and cotton is doing well and growing nicely. Corn needs rain.

—Several new bath houses were put up on the beach at Quintana, Brazoria county, last week, and others will be built shortly.

—Temple celebrated her tenth anniversary Monday. Parson's old Texas brigade held the re-union there at the anniversary celebration.

—A collision of the M. K. & T. railway Tuesday, near Trenton, resulted in the destruction of several thousand dollars worth of property.

—An association has been organized at Tyler to be known as the Tyler fruit shippers' association, for shipping fruit, vegetables, etc., in carload lots.

—Sam Riggs, of Alvord, who was arrested on a charge of bigamy a few days ago waived an examination and gave bond to await the action of the grand jury.

—Ed Smith accidentally shot his brother-in-law, Joe Byrd, at Eddy Wednesday with a hammerless Smith and Wesson pistol, which he didn't know was loaded.

—Cameron, Milan county. Work is progressing rapidly on our new courthouse, and the sound of the stonecutter's hammer is heard from 7 a. m. until 6 p. m.

—Orange has a temperance and Sunday league with a membership of over 200. Its object is to have the Sunday law enforced and get people to sign the pledge.

—A couple of two-story brick business houses will shortly be erected in Kosse, Limestone county. The electric light plant will be put in operation by September 1.

—"Chicken Bill" a negro at Cleburne, had his throat cut by a small yellow negro Wednesday night. It is believed the negro will recover. His assailant is in jail.

—Rev. Sin-killer Griffin, colored of Dallas is stirring Denison, with a brass band and two base ball teams, holding a revival meeting in the morning and playing ball in the afternoon. This is a new combination, and if the Rev. Griffin can preach to suit the people and umpire a game of base-ball with entire satisfaction he is a man after God's own heart.

Keeping Machinery from Rusting.

A mechanic says that in order to keep machinery from rusting he takes one ounce of camphor and dissolves it in a pound of melted lard, taking off the scum, and mixing in as much fine black lead as will give it color. The machinery is then cleaned and smeared with this mixture. After twenty-four hours the machinery is rubbed clean with soft linen cloth, and it will keep clean for months. The same artisan gives the following method of hardening tools: Forgi the tool into shape, the melt in a dish sufficient Babbitt metal to cover the end of the tool as far as it is wished to harden it. Thrust the tool into the metal and let it cool. This method makes the tool much harder than cooling in oil or tempering by any other process.—Chicago Tribune.

National Stockman and Farmer: There are in the country many persons who "practice medicine" on our dumb animals in a way that if it were applied to the human family would soon be stopped by rigid laws. A great many who do not know enough or do not care to take the responsibility of doctoring humanity drop into the rank of veterinarians, and the results of their carelessness and ignorance are seen wherever they locate. And this is likely one reason why so many hesitate to patronize veterinary practitioners. The amount of damage that has been and is being done by incompetent men of this profession is enormous, and strict laws should be enforced in every state to keep quacks and ignorant men from "practicing" on valuable stock. There are, however, many intelligent and competent veterinarians, and the skill of such should be more generally than advantage of than is the case at present. A good veterinarian is a useful man, but any other kind is a double injury—to his patrons and to his profession.

Early Maturing Cattle.

Early maturing hogs have long since been acknowledged to be the most profitable, and the problem how to create such a hog has long since been solved. The early maturing beef animal, however, is yet to be created, and it will be a great boon when and how to do this has been learned. The New York Tribune acknowledges this and says: How can a grade of cattle be obtained which will mature early, be of good size, active in quest of food, even on steep rocky ground or in deep snows, be hardy at trying times, yield a fine-fibered, juicy quality of beef, and generally be likely to increase the ranchman's profit? No effort has been made to develop a specific type of stock to make the most out of our native herbage. All the cross-breeding attempted has been the result of circumstances, and there is so much disparity in marketed heads that the buyer is able to make the price of the inferior kinds a standard by which to secure the best, and it is on the latter his best profit is obtained. An improved and a really satisfactory kind of stock suitable for general range purposes has not yet been called into being. A skillful, painstaking breeder can make money by devoting himself to that particular end.

Fires and the Open Window.

It is needless to point out the good that a fire will do in keeping a room free from damp and all unwholesome moisture, and in many climates frequently saving valuable furniture—pianos in particular—from decay, nay, often ruin. But it must be clearly understood that it is not the air which is purified, but that a new, fresh and wholesome atmosphere has replaced the one that has been used up. In short, infected air has been rarefied by the heat, and proper ventilation being provided it expels itself from the apartment. Fire and combustion in general, so far from purifying polluted air, actually deteriorate a prodigious quantity of it in a short time.

Therefore not only a common fire, but even a lighted candle (to say nothing of lamps or gas), when kept in a well closed (or, more properly speaking, an ill closed) room, wherein the external air has not a free access, renders the air of that room noxious in an incredibly short space of time. The remedy is in our own hands. It is for us mothers and housewives not only to give instructions, but to personally see that the upper sash of at least one window in each living room is opened all day long, and then gradually to accustom ourselves, our children, and all over whom we have control, to sleep with them in that position.

We should quickly find our own restless nights become peaceful, while our little ones would have the proper proportion of oxygen so essential to their young lives.—London Queen.

Mental development contineth.

Every man has too much faith in other men's faith in him.

Miscellaneous Items.

A ballet is a very gauzy affair, isn't it.

Family groceries are constantly in demand.

Nobleness is innered as well as acquired.

Jonah was the first sub-marine navigator.

A fool will burn his house to warm his hands.

The good Samaritan was a foreign missionary.

A fact—apples do not grow on peach trees.

Molders of public opinion work in human clay.

The modern statesman is a clever policy player.

Education does not unfit a person for any calling.

Stocks are watered in order to milk the public.

Workers, like ball players, sometimes strike out.

A smart man can learn a great deal from a fool.

Sometimes the lay of the minstrel produces an egg.

Masculine dwarfs should travel by the "limited mail."

The baby carriage is in the push, and always will be.

Take life as it comes and you will get more out of it.

You can tell by the honey where the bees have been.

Desperate politicians will stoop at anything to conquer.

Heaven bends to help the man who carries a heavy burden.

Fugitives from justice are posted in the hide market.

Some of the actresses do not draw all of them paint.

Judge not too harshly, lest ye fall in the same condemnation.

Character is something that cannot be burned up or buried.

It is easier to make a blunder than to repair the damage it does.

"Keep thy tongue from evil and thy lips from speaking guile."

Put an angel where there is no love and he will become a devil.

A good deal of the devil's best work is done by careless people.

As soon as the Lord's salt touches the devil's table it loses its savor.

Girls who wed a dying man must want to change their name awfully bad.

If you are always pitying yourself very few will waste their pity upon you.

If the church could only be kept wide awake the sinner could not sleep.

The more we do to help others the lighter our own burdens will become.

The sun never tans. It is the terrestrial radiation that does the work.

On the 17th the work of ejecting intruders from the Indian territory will begin.

A song will catch a crowd quicker than a speech, but its effects are not as lasting.

Seaside landlords are preparing to get your surplus money, if it takes all summer.

All idea is necessarily original. A borrowed idea is merely a piece of information.

The world would be much better than it is if men would live up to their obligations.

The reason some people "love at first sight" is because they do not know each other then.

A tree can branch out in every direction and prosper, but the average business man can't.

There is one lucky thing about spoiled children—we never have them in our own family.

Boarding-house butter is not like Samson—it does not lose its strength when robbed of its hairs.

It has been demonstrated that woman can develop her mind equal to man's, but not her muscle.

A man can get along without advertising, so can a wagon get along without grease—but it goes hard.

*Don't run through life so fast that you gasp for breath. Speed only hastens the coming of the last gasp.

Laughter is ticklish business of course, but it is contagious. We laugh at a good laugh as well as a clever joke.

A duty of three francs on maize has been voted by the Chamber of Deputies unless it be used for the manufacture of alcohol, when it will be free.

To prevent hot grease striking into the floor where it has been spilled upon it, dash cold water immediately upon it. This hardens the grease and it ceases to run.